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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – March 3, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Wednesday, March 3, 2021, DHHS announced 244 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 1.3%. Today's results include 153 people who tested positive by PCR test and 91 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 2,215 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

• 3/2: 244 new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are thirty-seven individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 46% being female and 54% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (57), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (39), Merrimack (29), Strafford (28), Grafton (16), Carroll (13), Cheshire (12), Coos (2), Sullivan (2), and Belknap (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (29) and Nashua (5). The county of residence is being determined for eleven new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis, are associated with an outbreak setting, or have recently traveled.

DHHS has also announced five additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 female resident of Belknap County, 60 years of age and older
- 2 male residents of Belknap County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Strafford County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 89 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 75,990 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated March 3, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	75,990
Recovered	72,600 (96%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,175 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	2,215
Current Hospitalizations	89

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	629,045		
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	37,750		
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	68,827		
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL₃	630		

¹Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests										
Testing Laboratory	2/24	2/25	2/26	2/27	2/28	3/01	3/02	Daily Average		
NH Public Health Laboratories	726	1,004	261	335	0	87	0	345		
LabCorp	573	489	496	441	347	301	24	382		
Quest Diagnostics	695	621	589	481	338	256	40	431		
Mako Medical	310	629	98	118	31	17	372	225		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	359	399	458	372	101	249	0	277		
NorDX Laboratory	452	463	276	138	150	87	731	328		
Broad Institute	3,689	2,315	5,358	4,065	1,404	1,865	3	2,671		
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	676	401	426	291	236	375	354	394		
Other Laboratory*	631	641	348	274	210	210	90	343		
University of New Hampshire**	3,478	4,051	3,706	2,291	12	3,897	3,717	3,022		
Total	11,589	11,013	12,016	8,806	2,829	7,344	5,331	8,418		
Antibody Laboratory Tests										
Testing Laboratory	2/24	2/25	2/26	2/27	2/28	3/01	3/02	Daily Average		
LabCorp	22	7	10	16	4	0	0	8		
Quest Diagnostics	20	22	20	19	8	7	1	14		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	5	7	1	2	0	7	0	3		
NorDX Laboratory	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1		
Other Laboratory*	5	13	11	6	0	3	0	5		
Total	53	49	43	43	12	17	3	31		

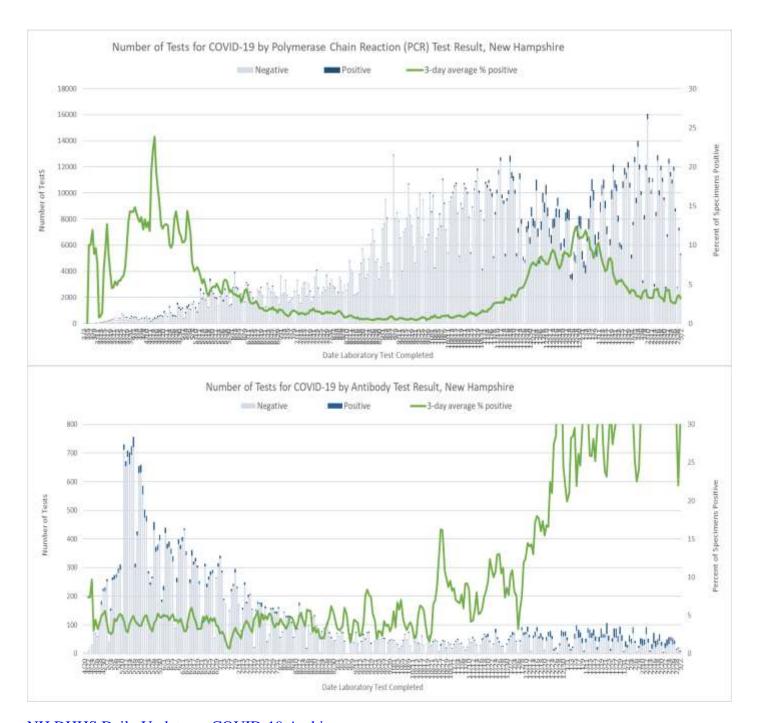
^{*} Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

²Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³ Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

^{**} Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at https://www.nh.gov/covid19.

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